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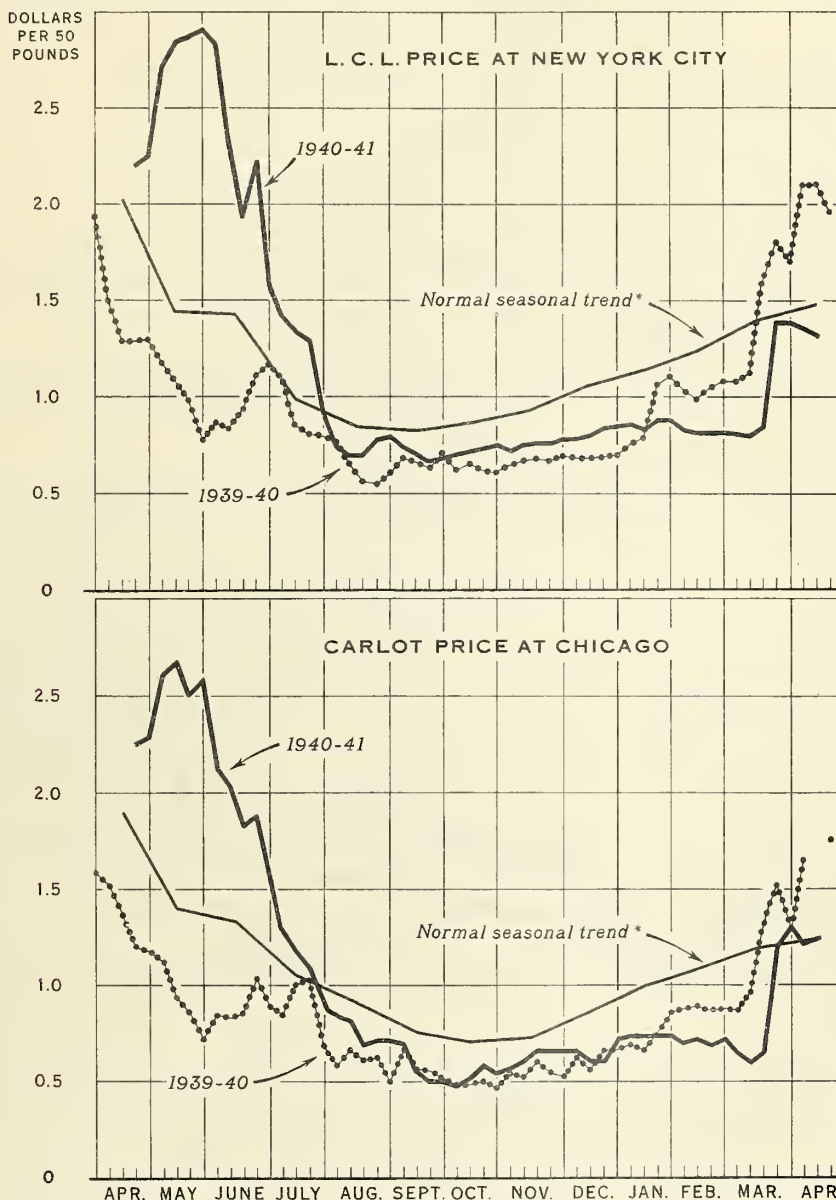
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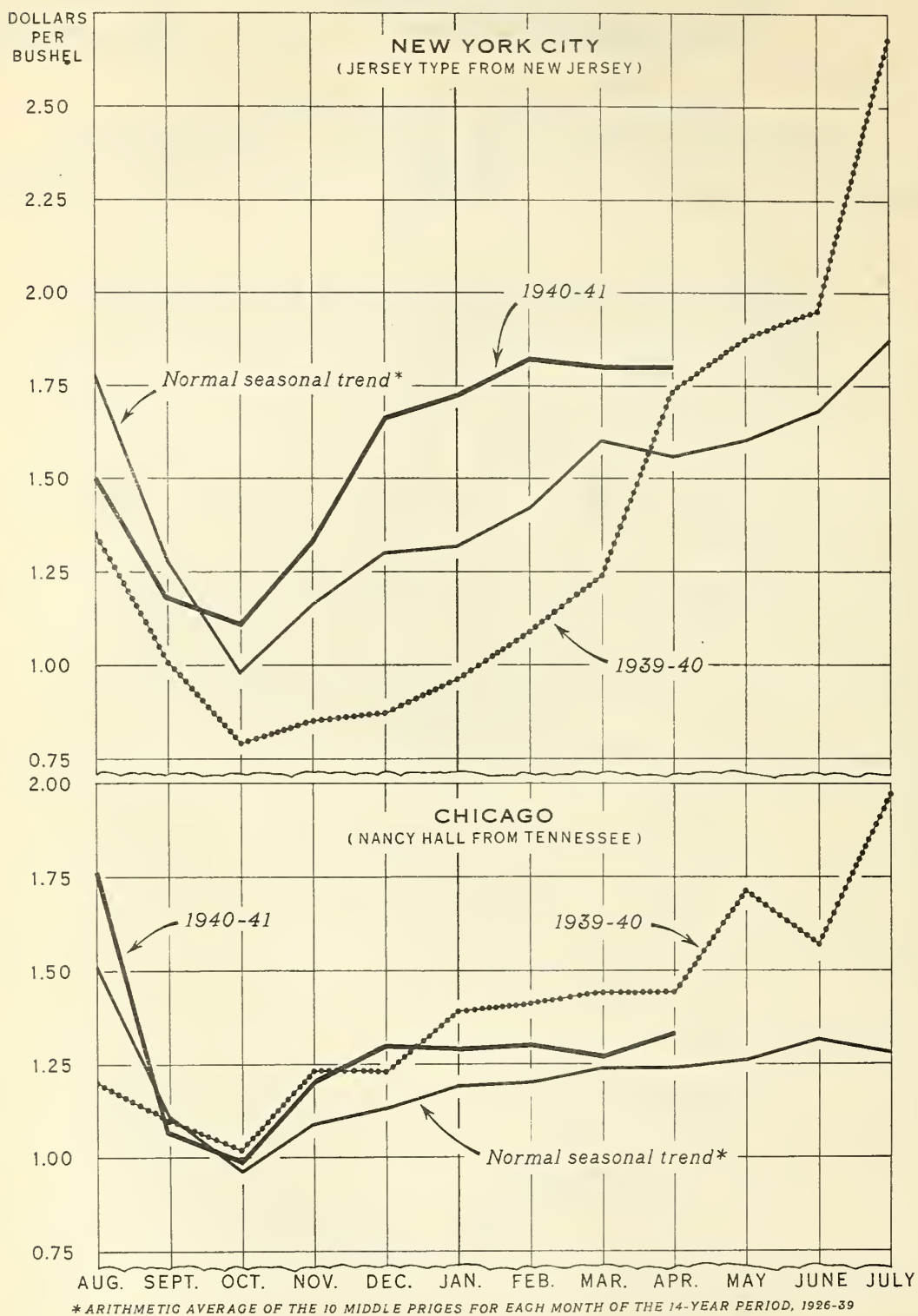


FIGURE 1

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THE VEGETABLE SITUATION

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Summary

With general improvement in weather conditions in much of the spring-producing areas of the South and West, both marketings and prospective future supplies of new potatoes and truck crops are increasing. The increased supplies have caused market prices of many vegetables to turn downward in recent weeks. The averages for late April were generally lower than a month earlier.

Supplies of new potatoes for immediate marketing are not as large as at this time last year, largely because of a reduction in the crop in north Florida, but supplies in prospect in the second section of early States, the harvest of which begins in May, probably will be slightly larger than those of a year earlier. There are also adequate supplies of old stock potatoes available.

Market prices of dry edible beans have advanced sharply during recent weeks in anticipation of an increased demand for beans under the food-for-defense program. Prospective demand indicates that the acreage and production of white beans for 1941 probably needs to be expanded. This will call for an adjustment in the planting plans of growers as reported about March 1 in which acreage reductions were indicated.

Although the acreage of truck crops for markets now being harvested is slightly larger than that of a year earlier, production on a tonnage basis is indicated to be slightly smaller. Unfavorable weather has reduced the yield prospect. Production is smaller than a year earlier for asparagus, snap beans, carrots, cauliflower, cucumbers, eggplant, lettuce, green peas, spinach, and tomatoes. On the other hand production is indicated to be larger for lima beans, beets, cabbage, celery, onions, and green peppers.



Prospective acreages of truck crops for processing are all indicated to be larger than the acreages planted last season. Since most of the reports on these crops were received prior to the recent developments with respect to the food-for-defense program, it is probable that there will be further adjustments upward in the acreages actually planted. This is particularly true of tomatoes for canning, for which the program calls for an increase of about 50 percent in last year's pack.

-- April 30, 1941

### POTATOES

BACKGROUND.— Although marketings of potatoes during the last half of 1940 were somewhat larger than in the comparable period of 1939, the larger total supply produced in late 1940 resulted in increased stocks as of January 1. Stocks of 1940 crop potatoes available on January 1, 1941 totaled 119 million bushels compared with 104 million a year earlier. Supplementing these larger stocks of old crop potatoes was an increase of 300,000 bushels in the new fall production. Because of this supply situation the Surplus Marketing Administration inaugurated a program in February providing for the diversion into livestock feed of a maximum of 12.5 million bushels of 1940 crop potatoes produced in eight Western late States, and increased the starch diversion allotment in Maine from 3.5 to 6.5 million bushels. To April 19 a total of 6.9 million bushels had been authorized and 3.7 million had been diverted for livestock feed. In Maine a total of 6.5 million bushels had been diverted to the manufacture of starch. These diversions together with purchases for relief distribution, totaling close to 6.1 million bushels for the season to date, and the Food Stamp Program have tended to strengthen market prices slightly during recent weeks.

### Recent developments

The relatively low prices received by growers for the large 1940 late crop have resulted in a decrease of 5.5 percent in the prospective acreage for 1941. The acreage planted or to be planted in the early States is increased 3.6 percent but in the intermediate States it is decreased 1 percent. For the country as a whole the prospective acreage is reduced 4 percent to 2,988,000 acres, which would be the smallest acreage since 1926. Such an acreage with yields equal to the average of the last 4 years would result in a United States potato crop of 367 million bushels, or about 8 percent less than the large crop of 1940.

Commercial production in the first section of early States (north Florida and the Lower Valley of Texas) is indicated to total 2.9 million bushels this season compared with 3.7 million a year earlier. Although the

acreage was increased slightly this season, yields are indicated to be lower than a year earlier because of unfavorable growing conditions. The marketing of this crop usually extends from April 1 to May 20, but the crop is late this season. Shipments from Texas have passed the peak but heavy shipments from north Florida probably will not occur until early May.

The acreage planted to commercial potatoes in the second section of early States (Alabama, California, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, and other Texas) totals 120,400 acres and is 6 percent larger than that of 1940. Although an estimate of production is not yet available, conditions as of April 15 indicate that good yields are in prospect. In most areas the crop had a late start but growing conditions have been good in recent weeks. Yields equal to the average of recent years would result in a production of about 20 million bushels compared with 18 million in 1940. This larger crop would mean heavier supplies of marketable potatoes during May and June than were available in the same period last season. This is particularly true since the north Florida crop is late and probably will be marketed largely during May. An offsetting factor, however, is the prospect of decreased production of potatoes this season in the second early States (Arkansas, North Carolina, Oklahoma, and Tennessee) where the planted acreage is indicated to be slightly smaller this season than in 1940.

Market prices of old stock potatoes in late April averaged slightly higher than those of a month earlier but substantially below those of a year earlier. The trend of prices of old stock is seasonally upward but that of new stock is downward.

#### DRY EDIBLE BEANS

BACKGROUND.— The increase in 1940 plantings, together with relatively high yields, resulted in a record large crop of 16,074,000 bags (100 pounds). Thus with a carry-over of about 3,450,000 bags, the supply of beans totaled 19,524,000 bags, the largest on record. It was about 2 million bags larger than the supply available for each of the two previous seasons, and about 5.3 million bags larger than the maximum disappearance in recent years. The increases in supplies over those of the 1939 season are largely in the great northern, pinto, pink, small red, and standard and baby lima varieties. Supplies of pea beans, white narrows, white kidneys, red kidneys, cranberries, and yellow eyes are indicated to be smaller. Market prices of the different varieties this season reflect the supply situation of the particular variety, but the general level of prices has been somewhat below that of the corresponding period of 1939. The United States farm price averaged \$2.69 per 100-pound bag in March 1941 compared with \$3.14 a year earlier, and despite considerable improvement in consumer purchasing power there was prospect for little seasonal rise during the remainder of the marketing season until it became evident that a considerable quantity of beans would be needed for the food-for-defense program.

Recent developments

As a result of low prices together with the prospect that the season-end carry-over would be at a record high level, bean producers reported as of March 1 that they intended to reduce plantings in 1941 about 8 percent from the 2 million acres planted in 1940. The reduced acreage (1,855,000 acres) with average abandonment and average yields would result in a crop of 12.8 million bags. If yields equaled the average for 1940 the crop would total 14.8 million bags. The smaller crop would result in a 1940 supply of 17.3 million bags while the larger crop would result in a supply of 19.3 million. Outside of unusual needs, requirements for 1941-42 probably will total 16 million bags and would mean that the reported acreage adjustment was in the right direction. Recent developments, however, indicate that the demand for beans during the next 12 months will be increased over earlier expectations. Requirements during the 1941 season, therefore, probably will be considerably above normal.

As a result of recent Government purchases and offers to purchase, prices of most varieties of beans have risen sharply in recent weeks, and it is expected that the rise will cause growers to revise their planting plans as reported about March 1, so that an increased acreage will be planted. Recent demand prospects indicate that a sharp increase in plantings of white beans over the acreage planted in 1940 is needed, in contrast to the early grower plans to decrease plantings this season.

TRUCK CROPS

BACKGROUND.— Continuing the long-time upward trend that has been in evidence for some years, the acreage planted to fall and winter truck crops this season increased 9 percent over that of the previous season and totaled 89,940 acres. Unfavorable growing weather resulted in reduced yields for some of the more important items, and, as a consequence, the total tonnage produced was smaller than in the 1939-40 fall and winter season. This was particularly true of fall carrots, celery, eggplant, peppers, shallots, and tomatoes.

During late January 1940 a severe freeze caused substantial acreage losses of tender vegetables in the late winter and early spring producing areas of the South. This freeze was followed by unfavorable growing weather during most of the spring months of 1940 and resulted in generally short production of a number of truck crops, which in turn resulted in unusually high prices. In response to these high prices and in an effort to return to normal plantings, producers of late winter and early spring vegetables increased the acreage of truck crops in 1941 to 193,100 acres, 5 percent over the relatively small acreage harvested in 1940. Although plantings were increased, continuous heavy rainfall during the first quarter of 1941 in the deep South and in California caused some losses of truck crop acreages and severely reduced the yield per acre. Production for the late winter and early spring market, therefore, was about 2 percent below average and 12 percent below that of a year earlier. Some of the early crops that were below last year in production were cabbage, celery, lettuce, shallots, and tomatoes.



This smaller output, together with improved purchasing power of consumers, resulted in a relatively high level of market prices during the first quarter of 1941.

#### Recent developments

Although the season is from 1 to 3 weeks late through most eastern and southern truck crop sections, recent warm weather has hastened operations and growing vegetables generally have improved rapidly. Some areas in the central Mississippi Valley and in the South need more rain. Growing conditions are good in the western portion of the country and the season is 2 to 3 weeks ahead of normal in the Northwest. In general the movement of truck crops to market is increasing rapidly and prices are tending to decline from the relatively high levels prevailing during the early part of the year.

The acreage of spring truck crops now being harvested totals 645,000 acres, or about 4 percent more than that of a year earlier. Because of low yields, however, the total tonnage indicated to be produced is about 1 percent below that of 1940 but about 12 percent above the 10-year 1930-39 average. The decreased tonnage this season compared with last occurs in asparagus, snap beans, carrots, cauliflower, cucumbers, eggplant, lettuce, green peas, spinach, and tomatoes. Increases are indicated for lima beans, beets, cabbage, celery, onions, and peppers.

#### Round-up of crops

Lima beans: The early crop of lima beans in Florida is indicated to total 350,000 bushels this season compared with 280,000 bushels last year. About half of the winter crop, which is indicated to total about 154,000 bushels, has already been shipped to market but heavy supplies will not be available until the relatively large spring crop is ready in June. This crop is expected to total about 196,000 bushels. Plantings in Georgia and South Carolina are in good condition and should provide ample supplies in late June and early July.

Snap beans: A small crop of snap beans is in prospect in the second section of early States (California, Florida, and Texas) because of acreage losses and low yields occasioned by heavy rains in Florida and because of generally unfavorable weather in Texas. The crop for the area as a whole is indicated to total 2,544,000 bushels compared with 3,800,000 bushels last season. The heaviest movement of beans out of Florida is expected during the first 2 weeks of May. Supplies from Texas are increasing but the quality is only fair.

The acreage planted to snap beans in the second early States (Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, and South Carolina) is indicated to total 27,100 acres, or about 15 percent more than was harvested in this area last season. Average yields on the planted acreage would result in a 25-percent increase in production over that of 1940. These beans normally move to market during May and June. It appears, therefore, that market supplies of snap beans probably will increase sharply during the next 2 months. This situation may continue into the summer months if the intermediate States increase their plantings as much as present prospects indicate they may and favorable weather prevails.

Cabbage: The second early cabbage crop is indicated to total 126,400 tons compared with 104,000 tons a year earlier. This supply is usually marketed during April, May, and the early part of June. It follows a relatively short early crop which has been selling at fairly high prices this season, and precedes an intermediate crop, the production prospect for which is smaller this season than the output in 1940.

Cantaloups: Because of a sharp reduction in plantings of early cantaloups and similar melons in California this season from those of 1940, supplies of early melons probably will be much smaller this season than last and probably the smallest in a number of years. In California a 38-percent reduction from a year earlier in the acreage planted to Honeydews is indicated. The acreage of cantaloups is 27 percent below that of 1940, and that of Honeyballs is down 19 percent. First volume shipments are expected in early May. In the second early States cantaloups are late but are in fairly good condition. A slightly increased acreage probably will be planted this season in both the second early and intermediate groups.

Carrots: Unfavorable weather has reduced the prospective yields of second early carrots produced in Arizona, California, and Louisiana. The relatively low yields on a slightly smaller acreage indicate that the supply of spring carrots will be slightly smaller than in 1940. The second early crop totals 6,024,000 bushels compared with 6,573,000 bushels produced last season, but the early crop is about 400,000 bushels larger. In the intermediate States (the first summer crop), prospects point to an increase in plantings this season.

Celery: Production of second early celery in California and Florida is indicated to total 1,860,000 crates, or about 6 percent more than was produced in these areas in 1940. The crop has been retarded somewhat by heavy rains in California, and marketings are later than usual. Shipments from Florida have been heavy recently. Because of the relatively high prices received for celery last season in the intermediate and late States, plantings this season probably will be increased somewhat. Supplies through the summer months, therefore, are likely to be larger than a year earlier.

Cucumbers: Unfavorable weather has reduced the yield prospect for early cucumbers in Florida, and although the acreage is increased slightly, production is indicated to be only 50 percent as large as that of last season. In Texas the early crop is somewhat larger than a year earlier but insufficient to offset the decrease in Florida. Present market supplies, therefore, are relatively small but probably will increase during May. The second section of early States (Alabama, California, Georgia, Louisiana, and South Carolina) have a planted acreage only slightly smaller than that of 1940, but the crop is making good progress. This crop is usually marketed during May and early June. The second early States may reduce plantings and produce smaller supplies this season because of low prices received last season.

Onions: The early onion crop produced in Louisiana, Texas, and California is indicated to total 2.1 million bags this season compared with 1.3 million last season and the 10-year (1930-39) average of 2.1 million. The crop is increased greatly this season in Texas over the short crop produced in that State last year. Although the crop is larger, it is late in



maturing and marketings to date have been light. It is probable, therefore, that supplies during May and June will be unusually heavy. This is particularly true since the first section of intermediate States, which usually begin marketing in June, has a 15-percent increase in acreage this season. The prospective acreage in the second section of intermediate States is also larger than the acreage planted last season, so that the prospect is for a heavy supply of onions for the remainder of the spring and during the summer months.

Green peas: Because of unfavorable weather plantings of green peas this season in the second early States (Alabama, California, Louisiana, Mississippi and South Carolina) are smaller than a year earlier. Good yields are indicated, however, and production is only slightly below that of 1940. The lateness of the crop in some areas resulted in a temporary shortage of market supplies. As a consequence prices rose sharply in April but as soon as the new crop became available prices turned sharply downward. Plantings in the intermediate States (North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey, and Idaho) are generally late but the crop is now making good progress. It is probable that the acreage will be little different from that of last season.

Spinach: Market supplies of spinach produced in the second early States (Arkansas, Illinois, Missouri, New Jersey, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Washington) are expected to be slightly smaller than those of a year earlier. Market prices of spinach declined sharply during April as the harvest of the early crop was being completed and that of the second early crop got underway.

Tomatoes: As a result of generally unfavorable weather this season supplies of tomatoes coming from Florida have been unusually small. Because of this situation the crop produced in the second section of early States (California, Florida, and Texas) totals only 2,617,000 bushels this season compared with 3,140,000 bushels last season. Also the acreage planted to tomatoes this season in the second early States (Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, and Texas) is indicated to be 5 percent smaller than that planted last year. This reduction in plantings is due largely to the low prices received by producers in these States last season. Market supplies, during May and June, therefore, are expected to be lighter than a year earlier although considerably heavier than those of recent months. Planting in the intermediate States is starting with the prospect that the acreage will be increased somewhat this season.

#### TRUCK CROPS FOR PROCESSING

The prospective acreage of 8 important truck crops for processing is indicated to be about 11 percent greater than the acreage planted to these same crops in 1940. This indication is based upon reports as of April 1 and does not reflect the changed situation with respect to requirements occasioned by the food-for-defense program. Under this program the Department of Agriculture is seeking to expand production of certain food crops. This probably will result in larger plantings of some of the truck crops for processing - particularly of tomatoes for canning.

Reports as of April 1 indicate that increases in plantings are in prospects for all of the important truck crops for processing. The increases range from 2.6 percent in tomatoes to 27 percent for beets. These increases were intended to provide for what canners anticipated the domestic market would require during the 1941 marketing season, after making due allowance for the carry-over situation with respect to each product. In general carry-over stocks of most canned vegetables this season will be about normal although in the case of snap beans and corn they probably will be somewhat below normal. (See the January Vegetable Situation.)

Snap beans: The prospective acreage of snap beans for processing is indicated to be 13 percent larger than the acreage planted in 1940. On the basis of normal abandonment of about 6 percent and average yields (1930-39) of 1.52 tons per acre, production from this acreage would total 106,400 tons. This tonnage would provide, on the basis of past relationships, for a pack of canned snap beans totaling 9.5 million cases of 24 #2 cans. Yields have been increasing during recent years, the average for the 1935-39 period being 1.67 tons per acre. If this higher average is obtained in 1941, the prospective acreage would provide for a pack of 10.5 million cases. In 1940 when the acreage was smaller than is now in prospect yields averaged 1.84 tons and the pack totaled 9.8 million cases.

Consumption of canned snap beans has been on an upward trend in recent years and probably will reach 10 million cases in the 1940 marketing season. Thus the carry-over on August 1, the end of the current marketing season, probably will be negligible. Stocks as of April 1 totaled 1.1 million cases (24 #2's). Assuming that the demand will continue to increase in the 1941 season, it appears that unless yields are as high as those of 1940 the prospective acreage is not large enough.

Sweet corn: The prospective acreage of sweet corn for processing is indicated to be 22 percent larger than the acreage planted in 1940. If normal abandonment of 5.5 percent occurs and if yields are equal to the average of 1935-39 (2.24 tons per acre), this increased acreage would produce 848,000 tons for processing. Such a tonnage, based on past relationships, would provide for a pack of 20 million cases. A higher yield like that obtained in 1940 (2.32 tons per acre) would provide for a pack of 20.5 million cases. Shipments of canned corn this season to April 1 from canners' warehouses have been larger this season than those of the comparable period the previous season, an indication that carry-over stocks as of August 1 probably will be around 1 million cases or considerably below normal. Also because of the prospect for increasing demand occasioned by improved purchasing power of consumers in the 1941 season, the requirement for canned corn is likely to be somewhat larger than that of recent years, when it averaged about 18.5 million cases. It appears, therefore, that the prospective acreage is about in line with prospective needs.

Tomatoes: Although reports received from canners in early April indicated that the prospective acreage planted to tomatoes for processing is 2.6 percent larger than the acreage planted in 1940, recent developments in connection with the food-for-defense program probably will result in a much greater increase in actual plantings. On April 17 the following statement was released:



"A program to expand the production of tomatoes for canning by 50 percent to meet probable demands for canned tomatoes under the Lend-Lease Act, and for distribution by the American Red Cross as well as for school lunch, relief and other purposes, was announced today by Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard. The need for immediate action to secure the necessary acreage to produce an extra 15,000,000 cases of canned tomatoes was emphasized, as planting must be made during the next few weeks in order to insure the required supply. Much smaller quantities of peas, corn, and snap beans may also be purchased from time to time, but no advance purchases at this time are contemplated.

"Present prospects indicate that the increase sought in canned vegetables will be sufficient to meet anticipated needs up to June 30, 1942. To meet current requirements, the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation will request bids from canners for offers for comparatively small amounts.

"To make it possible for canners to take immediate steps to secure the increase in tomato acreage, the FSCC proposes to ask canners to submit offers at once to deliver canned tomatoes after the new pack has been completed. Through the early acceptance of such offers, it is expected that canners will be able to arrange, finance, and carry out their increased operations with a minimum of difficulty. Under the plan, delivery can be made within 60 days of packing, but bids will also provide for storage after that date where facilities are available.

"In order to assure the greater supply of tomatoes necessary, the FSCC, in considering bids, will make allowance for increases of from \$2.75 to \$3.00 per ton over 1940 contract prices to growers.

"It is expected that the price increase will be applicable to the entire contracted production of all growers who cooperate in furnishing the increased quantities desired and who, if requested, increase acreage or fertilization so far as is reasonable and practical.

"Growers who participate in this program will not incur any deductions from their AAA payments because of increases in acreages of these vegetables for canning.

"Further purchases of fresh tomatoes with subsequent processing will also be made if it becomes necessary to insure a fair price to growers in open market areas. Plans will be made to secure additional supplies in the southern and western States during the fall of 1941 insofar as is required.

"The grades of canned vegetables contemplated to be bought are Grades B and C, so as not to absorb too large a proportion of any single grade. Federal inspection as to grade will be required.

"The Department of Agriculture expects to inform growers over the entire nation of the need for the expanded acreage through the Agricultural Adjustment Administration committees and the Extension Service."

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On the basis of needs cited in this announcement a planted acreage totaling 580,000 acres and a pack of canned tomatoes in 1941 totaling 44 million cases are required. Shipments in the 1940-41 season to April 1 and stocks as of that date indicate that the carry-over as of August 1 probably will total about 3 million cases. Thus a supply totaling 47 million cases is in prospect for 1941. This is about 16 million cases above the record large supply available in the 1940 season. If 15 million cases are purchased by the Government and 29-30 million cases are consumed in the regular domestic market (including military) the carry-over at the end of the season would be around 2-3 million cases.

The 580,000-acre planting goal allows for normal abandonment of 6 percent and yields equal to the average of the recent 5 years. A total of 2,650,000 tons of tomatoes would be produced, of which approximately 1,315,000 tons would be for canned tomatoes and the remainder for the production of various tomato products such as juice, pulp, paste, sauce, catsups, soups, etc.

Potatoes: Acreage, yield per acre and production,  
average 1930-39, annual 1939, indicated 1941

Group and State	Acreage			Yield per acre			Production		
	Av.			Av.			Av.		
	1930-	1940	1941	1930-	1940	1941	1930-	1940	1941
	39			39			39		
	Acre	Acre	Acre	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.
Fall and winter 1/									
Florida (south).....	7,300	11,200	11,000	117	90	125	920	1,008	1,375
Texas.....	2,700	2,600	2,300	47	50	40	117	130	92
Total.....	10,000	13,800	13,300	104	82	110	1,037	1,138	1,467
Early (1)									
Florida (north).....	13,600	14,400	15,200	106	209	123	1,978	3,012	1,872
Hastings.....	15,800	12,000	12,800	107	220	120	1,667	2,647	1,536
La Crosse.....	2,100	1,600	1,600	112	170	150	235	272	240
West.....	700	800	800	112	125	120	76	100	96
Texas Lower Valley..	8,800	7,900	8,200	85	82	130	729	648	1,066
Total.....	27,400	22,300	23,400	99	164	126	2,707	3,660	2,938
Early (2)	88,400	113,500	120,400	139	158		12,274	17,983	
Second Early									
Arkansas.....	5,100	4,100	3,700	87	100		443	410	
North Carolina.....	33,600	32,400	31,100	142	150		4,786	4,860	
Oklahoma.....	8,300	5,000	4,700	96	105		806	525	
Tennessee.....	2,350	3,500	3,800	84	110		200	385	
Total.....	49,350	45,000	43,300	126	137		6,235	6,180	
Intermediate (1).....	89,200	66,700	66,200	134	163		11,937	10,899	
Intermediate (2).....	42,200	55,800	56,200	178	183		7,511	10,220	
Total all States	306,550	317,100	322,800	136	158		41,701	50,080	

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ Fall and winter crop States supply earliest new crop movement, starting in fall preceding year shown.



Potatoes: Unweighted price per 100 pounds for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) at shipping points and terminal markets, week ended April 26, 1941 with comparisons

Location and variety	Week ended						
	1940			1941			
	Apr.	Mar.		Apr.			
	27	22	29	5	12	19	26 1/
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
<u>F.o.b. shipping point</u>							
Waupaca, Wisconsin .....	1.25	.70	.71	.72	.70	.73	.72
Presque Isle, Maine .....	1.39	.69	.80	.87	.92	.99	.87
Idaho Falls, Idaho .....	---	.78	.86	.93	.96	---	---
Rochester, New York .....	1.48	1.00	1.10	2/.822/	.85	2/.86	2/.84
Western Michigan Points .....	1.37	.84	.84	.84	.82	.82	---
Western Nebraska Points .....	---	1.04	1.06	1.05	---	---	---
Pompano, Florida 3/ .....	2.20	2.36	2.40	2.44	2.58	---	---
Hastings, Florida .....	1.90	---	---	---	---	2.50	---
Lower Rio Grande Valley, Texas 3/ .....	2.12	---	---	2.36	2.36	1.84	1.64
Wasco, California .....	1.23	---	---	---	1.38	1.13	1.10
<u>Warehouse cash to grower</u>							
Waupaca, Wisconsin .....	.95	.50	.50	.50	.52	.50	.50
Presque Isle, Maine .....	1.24	.49	.56	.64	.74	.81	.66
Idaho Falls, Idaho .....	---	.45	.54	.59	.59	---	---
Rochester, New York .....	1.10	.63	.63	.67	.67	.67	.67
<u>Terminal markets</u>							
<u>New York City</u>							
Russet Burbanks, Idaho .....	2.63	1.98	2.01	2.08	2.09	2.08	2.07
Green Mountains, Maine .....	2.02	1.22	1.27	1.36	1.38	1.42	1.39
Green Mountains, Long Island .....	---	1.14	1.20	1.35	1.32	1.32	1.32
Chippewas, Connecticut .....	---	---	1.10	1.25	1.20	1.19	1.21
Chippewas, Maine .....	2.16	1.22	1.27	1.36	1.38	1.42	1.39
Katahdin, Maine .....	2.16	1.22	1.27	1.36	1.38	1.42	1.39
Excluding western stock .....	2.10	1.14	1.20	1.35	1.32	1.32	1.31
Bliss Triumphs, Florida 3/ .....	2.98	2.90	3.42	3.44	3.40	3.26	2.90
Bliss Triumphs, Texas 3/ .....	3.48	---	---	---	---	3.10	3.20
Long Whites, California 3/ .....	3.06	---	---	---	4.20	3.36	3.16
<u>Chicago</u>							
Bliss Triumphs, Minnesota and	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
North Dakota 4/ .....	2.64	1.16	1.18	1.34	1.28	1.42	1.02
Bliss Triumphs, Nebraska and Wyoming ...	2.50	1.60	1.56	1.60	1.61	1.58	1.54
Cobblers, Minnesota and North Dakota 4/ :	1.30	.96	.96	.92	.95	.89	.76
Early Ohios, Minnesota and North Dakota 4/ :	1.16	.91	.96	.94	.92	.87	.73
Katahdin, Wisconsin .....	---	1.13	1.15	1.11	1.14	1.12	1.10
Russet Burbanks, Idaho .....	1.92	1.51	1.59	1.67	1.66	1.63	1.54
Red McClures, Colorado .....	2.04	1.40	1.38	---	1.48	1.40	1.50
Excluding western stock .....	1.22	.98	1.01	.99	.97	.91	.82
Long Whites, California .....	2.42	---	---	---	3/3.003/	2.603/	2.32
Bliss Triumphs, Texas 3/ .....	2.94	---	---	---	3.40	2.62	2.52
Bliss Triumphs, Florida 3/ .....	---	3.48	3.48	3.46	3.42	---	---

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1/ Preliminary.

2/ U. S. commercial.

3/ Bushel price doubled.

4/ U. S. No. 1 and 85 percent.



Truck crops: Commercial acreage, yield per acre and production, average 1930-39  
annual 1940 and indicated 1941

Commodity	Acreage			Unit	Yield per acre			Production		
	Av.	1940	1941		Av.	1940	1941	Av.	1940	1941
	1930-39				1930-39			1930-39		
	Acres	Acres	Acres					Thou-sands	Thou-sands	Thou-sands
Artichokes..	8,480	10,600	10,400	Box	106	80	100	889	848	1,040
Asparagus,										
early...	82,010	90,140	85,850	Crate	87	86	88	7,109	7,729	7,585
" late...	28,090	39,550	41,320	"	101	116	---	2,834	4,592	---
Beans, lima :										
early...	2,750	4,000	7,000	Bu.	82	70	50	228	280	350
" snap :										
fall....	16,650	17,500	21,600	"	99	94	119	1,642	1,638	2,561
" snap :										
early(1):	22,780	17,000	26,500	"	89	70	60	1,942	1,190	1,590
" snap :										
early(2):	29,950	31,750	26,700	"	89	120	95	2,666	3,800	2,544
" second:										
early...	23,990	23,600	27,100	"	60	55	---	1,441	1,306	---
Beets, early:	6,080	6,400	7,800	"	140	120	130	848	768	1,014
" second :										
early...	2,230	1,700	1,720	"	134	173	184	298	302	317
Cabbage, fall:	1,640	2,830	2,620	Tons	6.5	7.0	8.4	10.6	19.9	22.1
" early...	41,350	49,650	39,800	"	5.3	5.4	4.4	220.0	268.0	176.5
" second :										
early...	20,760	24,300	23,400	"	5.0	4.3	5.4	103.0	104.0	126.4
" inter- :										
mediate:	33,020	37,460	36,900	"	5.8	6.2	---	190.9	231.7	---
" late...	77,790	76,720	75,780	"	8.0	9.0	---	618.7	690.6	---
Cantaloups, :										
early...	35,860	26,600	19,220	Crate	140	82		5,013	2,175	---
Carrots, fall:	6,460	9,800	9,800	Bu.	508	484	450	3,194	4,743	4,410
" early...	9,970	10,700	12,750	"	171	190	189	1,706	2,035	2,407
" second :										
early...	12,040	16,500	15,800	"	407	398	381	4,902	6,573	6,024
Cauliflower, :										
fall and										
winter..	9,260	8,000	8,700	Crate	264	303	288	2,444	2,426	2,507
" early...	7,980	9,010	8,670	"	278	318	295	2,221	2,864	2,556
Celery, fall:										
and winter:	7,710	8,850	8,420	"	179	240	230	1,367	2,124	1,937
" early...	6,910	8,350	8,650	"	324	375	337	2,241	3,134	2,919
" second :										
early...	3,440	4,100	4,700	"	331	430	396	1,312	1,761	1,860
Cucumbers :										
fall....	1,740	1,800	1,800	Bu.	74	90	95	128	162	171
early(1):	12,140	9,200	10,600	"	71	123	68	860	1,130	723
" " (2):	12,750	11,500	11,370	"	97	114	---	1,243	1,315	---

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Truck crops: Commercial acreage, yield per acre and production, average 1930-39  
annual 1940 and indicated 1941 - Continued

Commodity	Acreage			Unit	Yield per acre:			Production		
	Av.				Av.			Av.		
	1930-39	1940	1941		1930-39	1940	1941	1930-39	1940	1941
	Acres	Acres	Acres					Thou-sands	Thou-sands	Thou-sands
Eggplant,										
fall....	1,380	1,450	1,400	Bu.	155	128	111	214	186	156
early....	850	400	400	"	332	400	300	277	160	120
Kale (Virginia):	1,630	900	1,100	"	372	270	400	572	243	440
Lettuce,										
early....	43,190	33,450	38,100	Crate	119	171	147	5,154	5,727	5,607
" second										
early....	52,510	47,190	53,080	"	109	151	123	5,739	7,117	6,555
Onions, early:	51,200	30,600	46,530	Sacks	42	43	46	2,144	1,325	2,125
" inter-										
mediate(1):	13,570	15,950	18,300	"	66	68	---	901	1,090	---
" " (2):	6,540	5,650	6,200	"	130	123	---	849	697	---
" late ...	53,790	55,090	53,920	"	198	223	---	10,644	12,285	---
Peas, green:										
early....	11,290	17,500	17,000	Bu.	74	76	83	830	1,325	1,410
" green										
second										
early....	43,470	27,200	24,300	"	64	76	79	2,782	2,069	1,911
Peppers, green:										
fall ....	2,840	4,800	4,600	"	167	161	105	473	772	485
" green										
early....										
winter...	2,550	1,500	3,000	"	274	170	200	718	255	600
Shallots, (La):										
fall.....	3,000	2,700	2,400	"	97	120	108	291	324	259
" spring...	2,550	2,000	1,900	"	116	136	116	291	272	220
Spinach, fall:	2,460	2,400	3,000	"	257	250	300	674	600	900
" early....	40,710	39,400	40,000	"	173	164	167	7,030	6,449	6,699
" second										
early....	9,080	9,680	9,430	"	290	316	303	2,635	3,062	2,857
Tomatoes, fall:	6,680	11,800	15,000	"	59	120	46	395	1,420	690
" early(1):	13,470	5,500	7,500	"	129	170	85	1,764	935	638
" " (2):	30,770	40,000	33,200	"	75	78	79	2,313	3,140	2,617
" second										
early....	44,820	52,700	50,200	"	81	75	---	3,644	3,973	---
Watermelons,:				Melons:						
early....	31,700	29,000	30,600		355	317	---	11,259	9,180	---
" second										
early....	166,490	176,200	171,600	"	211	236	---	35,194	41,620	---
Total										
above....	1,160,370	1,170,670	1,187,280		---	---	---	---	---	---
Crops with										
1941 produc-										
tion.....	631,960	620,650	644,770	Tons	3.06	3.62	3.29	1,931	2,245	2,123
Early crops										
being har-										
vested ....	369,810	353,670	362,180	"	2.58	3.03	2.94	953	1,073	1,064

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Beans, dry edible: F.o.b. price per 100 pounds, rail, California,  
1939-41 1/

Period	Bayo		Blackeye		Cranberry		Kidney 2/		Lima (standard)	
	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Month-										
Sept. ....	4.81	6.38	4.64	2.96	4.21	2.66	5.46	4.88	5.34	4.21
Oct. ....	6.37	6.33	4.52	2.86	3.40	4.03	5.31	5.96	5.40	4.17
Nov. ....	6.65	6.25	4.29	2.72	3.15	5.46	5.28	8.12	5.03	4.16
Dec. ....	6.65	6.21	4.37	2.50	3.01	5.52	5.33	8.25	4.71	4.08
	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941
Jan. ....	6.65	6.15	4.70	2.51	3.22	5.42	5.61	8.25	4.74	4.09
Feb. ....	7.09	6.15	4.80	2.38	3.10	5.16	5.63	8.16	4.65	4.16
Mar. ....	7.25	5.92	5.00	2.36	3.12	4.80	5.51	7.97	4.72	4.60
Week-										
Mar. 26 ....	7.25	5.90	5.01	2.54	3.10	4.75	5.40	7.88	4.68	5.21
Apr. 2 ....	7.25	5.75	5.00	2.49	3.10	5.12	5.30	9.88	4.66	5.21
9 ....	7.25	5.75	4.99	2.61	3.00	5.75	5.30	10.25	4.68	5.36
16 ....	7.25	5.75	4.94	3.10	3.00	5.75	5.30	10.50	4.66	5.92
23 ....	7.25	5.75	4.95	3.01	3.00	5.75	5.30	10.75	4.65	6.21
	Lima		Pink		Pinto		Red		White	
	(baby)		King City						(small)	
	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Month-										
Sept. ....	3.97	3.11	5.11	3.31	5.03	2.88	4.30	3.26	4.72	3.38
Oct. ....	3.44	3.00	5.00	3.06	4.04	2.72	3.88	2.94	4.10	3.42
Nov. ....	3.20	3.20	4.58	3.07	3.72	2.68	3.34	3.01	3.71	3.39
Dec. ....	3.18	3.24	4.51	2.92	3.79	2.47	3.19	3.10	3.71	3.28
	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941
Jan. ....	3.23	3.36	4.56	2.92	3.76	2.55	3.23	3.10	3.80	3.20
Feb. ....	3.16	3.28	4.43	2.88	3.49	2.44	3.15	3.10	3.70	3.18
Mar. ....	3.25	3.37	4.41	2.98	3.42	2.59	3.60	3.06	3.75	3.44
Week-										
Mar. 26 ....	3.26	3.70	4.38	3.28	3.30	2.88	3.55	3.15	3.72	3.92
Apr. 2 ....	3.25	3.79	4.38	3.42	3.28	2.95	3.52	---	3.65	3.95
9 ....	3.26	3.89	4.38	3.40	3.38	3.15	3.60	3.62	3.68	3.98
16 ....	3.28	4.20	4.38	4.05	3.38	3.85	3.60	3.85	3.68	4.42
23 ....	3.29	4.21	4.38	4.02	3.58	3.70	3.60	3.85	3.68	4.35

Compiled as follows: September 1939-February 1940 from Federal State Market News Service, "Bulletin No. 315"; beginning March 1940 from Bean Market Review, weekly, San Francisco.

1/ These prices are not strictly comparable with those published previous to January 1941 inasmuch as the previous series included 10 cents for brokerage which has now been deducted.

2/ Excludes seed stock.



Beans, dry edible: Average wholesale price per 100 pounds at New York City, and f.o.b. quotations per 100 pounds at Colorado and Idaho points, 1939-41

Period	Wholesale price New York City								F.o.b. quotations 1/			
	Marrow		Lima		Pea		Red		Colo. points		Idaho points	
	(regular)		(regular)		(regular)		Kidney		Pinto		Great Northern	
	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Month :												
Sent. :	5.76	4.82	6.43	5.36	4.76	3.87	5.84	4.96	4.95	3.09	3.83	2.63
Oct. :	5.02	5.15	6.35	5.22	3.84	3.85	5.32	5.55	4.18	2.75	3.28	2.64
Nov. :	4.81	5.33	6.09	5.15	3.71	3.80	4.78	7.23	3.92	2.69	3.04	2.65
Dec. :	4.63	5.79	5.97	5.15	3.77	3.65	4.86	7.36	4.04	2.71	2.90	2.58
	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941
Jan. :	4.56	5.72	5.82	5.12	3.98	3.55	5.04	7.00	3.94	2.70	3.20	2.56
Feb. :	4.55	5.55	5.74	5.23	4.00	3.51	4.95	7.28	3.66	2.68	3.09	2.54
Mar. :	4.55	5.95	5.55	5.45	3.86	3.62	4.75	8.20	3.48	2.80	2.94	2.74
Week - :												
Mar. 29 :	4.55	6.63	5.50	5.81	3.80	3.91	4.75	8.64	3.25	3.10	2.80	3.12
Apr. 5 :	4.52	8.69	5.50	6.20	3.71	4.12	4.67	10.00	3.30	3.30	2.80	3.15
12 :	4.50	9.00	5.50	6.25	3.82	4.04	4.73	10.15	3.50	3.50	3.08	3.35
19 :	4.50	9.00	5.50	6.62	3.81	4.50	4.73	10.25	3.65	4.00	3.08	4.00
26 :	4.50	9.02	5.50	7.00	3.89	4.46	4.70	10.25	3.90	3.90	3.20	3.80

Compiled as follows: New York from Producers Price Current; f.o.b. quotations from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ Prices are for Wednesday of week shown.

Sweetpotatoes: Unweighted price per bushel for stock of generally good quality and condition (U.S. No. 1 when quoted) at New York and Chicago, week ended April 26, 1941 with comparisons

Market and type	Week ended							
	1940		1941					
	Apr. 27		Mar. 22	Mar. 29	Apr. 5	Apr. 12	Apr. 19	Apr. 26 1/
	Dol.		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
New York -								
Goldens, Md. ....	1.62		1.90	1.96	1.92	1.94	1.97	1.95
Jerseys, N. J. ....	1.86		1.80	1.85	1.88	1.79	1.75	1.75
" Del. ....	1.64		---	---	---	1.47	1.57	1.68
" Md. ....	1.64		---	---	---	---	1.61	1.58
Puerto Ricans, N.C. and S.C. ....	1.50		1.82	1.87	1.91	1.89	1.90	1.95
All varieties ....	1.58		1.75	1.82	1.91	1.84	1.82	1.86
Chicago -								
Puerto Ricans, Ill. ....	---		1.74	1.74	1.78	1.72	---	2.00
" " La. ....	1.58		1.72	1.75	1.79	1.76	1.77	1.80
" " Tenn. ....	1.49		1.51	1.50	1.56	1.58	1.55	1.60
Jerseys, N. J. 2/ ....	---		---	---	---	2.49	2.34	1.75
Nancy Halls, Ill. ....	---		1.57	1.60	1.68	1.58	1.72	1.75
" " Tenn. ....	1.45		1.26	1.28	1.32	1.33	1.34	1.32
All varieties ....	1.55		1.51	1.55	1.57	1.57	1.52	1.57

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ Preliminary.

2/ Red soil stock.



Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) for week ended April 26, 1941 with comparisons

Commodity	Unit	Week ended						
		1940:			1941			
		Apr.:		Mar.	Apr.			
		27	22	29	5	12	19	26
		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
<u>New York</u>								
Anise, Calif. ....	L. A. crate	2.69	3.04	3.00	3.17	4.00	2.96	2.94
Artichokes, Calif. ....	Box	3.28	3.12	2.88	3.04	3.33	3.02	3.12
Asparagus, medium, Calif.	Crate-1 doz. bunches	3.38	4.02	3.56	4.04	3.96	3.35	2.69
" large, "	"	3.92	4.60	4.21	4.46	4.33	3.94	3.29
" medium, S.C.:	"	2.08	---	---	---	3.06	2.19	1.68
" " Ga.:	"	2.17	---	---	---	2.68	2.38	---
" various sizes, N.J.:	"	---	---	---	---	---	3.50	2.58
" " " Pa.:	"	---	---	---	---	---	3.62	3.17
Beans, fava, La. ....	Bushel	1.73			2.21	2.53	1.91	1.71
" lima, Fla. ....	"	3.95	4.08	4.12	3.78	4.85	4.58	3.92
" snap, green, Fla.:	"	2.35	3.96	3.50	3.08	3.68	4.03	3.46
" " wax "	"	2.62	3.75	---	3.33	3.25	3.88	3.50
Beets, bunched, Tex. ...	1/2 L. A. crate	1.40	1.26	1.26	1.68	1.10	1.17	1.45
" topped, " ...	Bushel	1.38	1.19	1.20	1.28	1.17	1.14	1.10
" " N. Y.:	100 lb. sack	2.00	1.92	1.94	1.88	1.75	1.65	---
Broccoli, Calif. ....	Pony crate	3.96	3.65	4.02	4.67	4.60	4.22	4.04
" Tex. ....	" "	---	3.00	3.22	3.67	3.34	2.96	2.75
" Va. ....	" "	---	---	---	---	3.59	3.33	3.19
Broccoli, Rabe, N. and S.C.:	Bushel crate	---	2.15	1.47	1.34	.88	---	---
" " bunched, N.J.:	Crate	---	---	---	---	1.24	.82	.98
Brussels (chicory) nearby:	Pound		.49	.48	.47	.48	.46	.45
Cabbage, domestic, Fla.:	1-1/2 bu. hamper	1.49	2.34	2.19	1.90	1.73	1.42	1.66
" " Tex.:	1/2 L. A. crate	---	1.91	1.79	1.72	1.25	1.06	---
" " ":	L. A. crate	2.25	3.34	3.27	3.00	2.55	2.50	2.88
" savoy, Fla. ...	1-1/2 bu. hamper	1.42	1.75	1.85	1.68	1.68	1.34	1.12
" " Tex. ...	1/2 L. A. crate	---	1.59	1.75	1.62	1.27	1.00	1.12
" red, Fla. ....	1-1/2 bu. hamper	1.88	1.65	1.79	2.08	1.98	1.66	1.74
Carrots, Calif. ....	L. A. crate	3.18	3.12	3.21	3.15	3.01	2.86	2.54
" Tex. ....	1/2 L. A. crate	1.34	1.55	1.64	1.72	1.42	1.11	---
" topped, N. Y.:	Bushel	.87	.65	.69	.60	.59	.59	.60
" " Pa. ...	"	.75	.61	.62	.60	.56	.49	.50
Cauliflower, Calif. ....	Pony crate	2.08	2.12	2.08	2.18	2.25	2.17	2.12
Celery, Golden Heart, Fla.:	16 inch crate	1.81	3.44	3.33	3.17	2.92	1.85	1.98
" Pascal, Fla. ....	" " "	---	2.64	2.37	2.71	2.56	2.38	2.54
Celery cabbage, Fla. ...	16-quart basket	---	.94	.63	.72	.92	.98	---
Collards, Va. ....	Bushel	.70	.43	.35	.36	.36	.38	.59
" Ga. ....	1/2 L. A. crate	---	1.09	1.15	1.18	1.18	1.16	---
" S. C. ....	1-1/2 bu. hamper	---	---	---	.82	.91	.84	1.00
Cucumbers, Fla. ....	Bushel	3.08			6.50	7.12	5.50	4.08
" hothouse, Ind. ....	Dozen	.82	1.42	1.32	1.32	1.38	1.21	1.08
Dandelions, outdoor, N.J.:	Bushel	.59			1.33	.83	.46	---
Dill, Tex. ....	1/2 L. A. crate	2.52	4.25	5.08	5.00	3.25	2.46	2.06

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Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U.S. No. 1 when quoted) for week ended April 26, 1941 with comparisons -Contd.

Commodity	Unit	Week ended							
		1940:	1941						
		Apr.:	Mar.	Apr.					
		27	22	29	5	12	19	26	1/
		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	
New York									
Eggplant, Fla. ....	1-1/2 bu. crate	3.25				3.00	4.22	4.15	
" Cuba .....	" " "	3.38	3.12	3.25	3.12	3.21	3.25	3.75	
Endive, Tex. ....	1/2 L. A. crate	---	1.40	1.67	1.36	1.12	1.12	---	
" Fla. ....	1-1/2 bu. hamper	2.02	2.15	1.96	2.00	2.12	1.75	2.06	
Escorole, Fla. ....	" " "	2.33	2.52	2.42	1.52	1.54	1.26	1.58	
Garlic, Mex. ....	Pound	.11	.15	.14	.13	.13	.13	.13	
" Chile .....	"	---	.15	.15	.15	.15	.15	.15	
Horseradish, nearby ....	50 lb. bag	---	3.50	3.35	3.38	3.47	3.38	---	
Kale, Va. ....	Bushel	.53	.40	.34	.32	.33	.31	---	
" S. C. ....	"	---	---	.82	.76	.66	.50	---	
Kohlrabi, Ga. ....	1/2 L. A. crate	---			1.75	1.75	1.69	---	
Leeks, nearby .....	Bushel	1.60	1.83	1.73	1.40	1.08	.96	.71	
Lettuce, iceberg, Ariz.:	L. A. crate	5.42	3.71	3.60	3.71	4.08	4.60	5.27	
" " Calif.:	" "	5.27	3.60	3.62	3.50	3.50	4.88	5.20	
" " S. C.:	1/2 L. A. crate	---	---	---	1.50	1.31	1.48	2.02	
" Big Boston, S. C.:	2 doz. crate	1.64	---	---	---	---	1.50	1.16	
" " Fla.:	1-1/2 bu. hamper	---	2.21	1.92	1.68	1.82	1.60	1.38	
Mushrooms, N.Y. and Pa.:	3-lb. basket	.45	.53	.55	.56	.62	.52	.70	
Mustard greens, Ga. ....	1/2 L. A. crate	---			1.08	1.23	1.15	---	
Okra, Cuba .....	Crate	3.21				2.75	2.25	3.75	
Onions, yellow, N. Y. .:	50-lb. sack	1.95	.85	1.38	1.38	1.35	1.22	1.38	
" red, N. Y. ....	" "	1.85	1.01	1.05	1.48	1.55	1.38	1.64	
" sweet Spanish, Colo.:	" "	2.10	1.99	2.35	2.40	2.42	2.42	2.59	
Parsley, Tex. ....	1/2 L. A. crate	1.13	1.15	1.13	1.16	1.15	1.25	1.33	
" La. ....	Bushel	1.01	---	---	1.00	.99	1.00	1.12	
Parsley Root, Tex. ....	Pony crate	---	1.75	1.81	1.83	1.88	1.79	2.00	
Parsnips, Pa. ....	Bushel	---	.50	.52	.45	.44	.42	.40	
Peas, Calif. ....	"	2.48	2.44	2.31	2.24	2.88	4.52	2.98	
" Fla. ....	"	---	1.75	1.74	1.58	3.66	3.48	2.50	
" Ga. ....	"	---					3.51	2.48	
Peppers, Fla. ....	1-1/2 bu. hamper	5.27	3.04	3.81	3.62	5.10	5.50	6.75	
" Cuba .....	" "	5.69	2.75	3.81	3.42	4.12	4.12	6.00	
" red sweet, Fla. .:	" "	2.45	2.50	2.97	2.80	3.00	2.75	3.58	
" hot, Fla. ....	" "	2.06	1.86	1.70	1.71	2.02	1.98	1.86	
Radishes, S. C. ....	Bushel	1.18	1.48	1.23	1.85	1.82	1.92	1.82	
" N. C. ....	"	1.18	---	---	1.75	1.53	1.94	1.70	
Rhubarb, Calif. ....	20-lb. box	1.19	1.09	1.25	1.50	1.50	1.38	1.06	
" Wash. ....	15-lb. box	1.38	1.11	---	1.55	1.49	1.16	1.20	
" hothouse, Mich. .:	5-lb. box	.47	.35	.42	.38	.41	.37	.35	
Rutabagas, plain, Canada:	50-lb. sack	.62	.73	.74	.74	.79	.81	.80	
" waxed, " :	" "	.72	.92	1.02	1.02	.98	1.00	.95	
Shallots, La. ....	Crate - 8 doz.	4.08	3.96	4.02	3.25	3.06	2.90	3.08	

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Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U.S. No. 1 when quoted) for week ended April 26, 1941 with comparisons -Contd.

Commodity	Unit	Week ended							
		1940:				1941			
		Apr.:		Mar.:		Apr.:			
		27	22	29	5	12	19	26	1/
		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	
<u>New York</u>									
Spinach, Tex. ....	Bushel	---	1.33	1.38	1.06	.83	.88	---	
" Va. ....	"	.50				.70	.64	.59	
Squash, yellow, Fla. ...	"	1.12	3.69	3.82	3.38	3.00	2.98	3.25	
" white, Fla. ...	"	.90	2.50	2.95	2.38	2.25	2.05	2.62	
" green, Fla. ...	"	1.38	3.98	3.79	3.40	2.96	2.58	2.72	
Tomatoes, Mex. ....	Lug	5.69	2.62	2.39	3.45	3.15	3.80	4.77	
" Cuba. 2/ ....	"	4.34	2.66	2.61	3.41	2.62	3.75	4.12	
" Fla. ....	"	4.78	---	---	2.69	---	3.38	4.75	
Turnips, Ga. ....	1/2 crate	---	1.18	1.14	1.20	1.11	.91	---	
Turnip tops, Ga. ....	" "	---	1.34	1.27	1.25	1.25	1.08	---	
<u>Chicago</u>									
Anise, Calif. ....	L. A. crate	2.62	2.85	2.58	2.35	3.12	2.62	2.05	
Artichokes, Calif. ....	Box	---	3.15	2.44	2.82	3.25	3.03	2.75	
Asparagus, medium, Calif.:	Crate-1 doz. bunches:	3.02	3.48	3.90	3.75	4.08	2.98	2.82	
" large, " : " " "		3.41	4.08	4.32	4.15	4.22	3.18	3.22	
" medium, Ga. : " " "		2.22	---	---	---	3.12	2.59	2.09	
Beans, fava, La. ....	Bushel	---	2.12	2.50	2.56	1.95	1.38	1.58	
" lima, Fla. ....	"	2.94	---	4.50	4.50	4.21	---	4.25	
" snap, green, Fla. ...	"	2.52	4.70	3.80	4.02	3.80	4.08	3.85	
" " wax " ...	"	2.68	4.38	5.12	5.00	---	---	4.25	
Beets, bunched, Tex. ...	1/2 L. A. crate	1.30	1.08	1.29	1.34	1.14	1.06	1.18	
" topped, " ...	Bushel	1.38	---	---	.80	1.20	1.25	1.25	
" " Ill. ...	"	---	.75	.92	.78	.76	.75	.75	
Broccoli, Calif. ....	Pony crate	3.48	2.73	3.33	3.72	3.94	3.48	2.90	
Cabbage, domestic, Tex. :	L. A. crate	2.50	3.09	3.26	2.79	2.52	2.04	2.04	
" " Calif. :	" "	2.68	3.07	3.24	2.78	2.55	2.04	---	
" " La. :	" "	---	2.75	3.21	3.00	2.62	2.04	2.02	
" " Fla. :	1-1/2 bu. hamper	2.54	2.44	2.33	2.17	1.88	1.42	1.48	
" red, Tex. :	1/2 L. A. crate	---	1.32	1.40	1.40	1.41	1.39	1.25	
" " Fla. :	1/2 bu. hamper	2.25	1.69	1.74	1.82	2.12	2.35	2.10	
" savoy, Tex. :	L. A. crate	---	2.50	2.44	2.43	2.42	1.97	1.62	
Carrots, Ariz. ....	" "	2.90	---	---	2.39	2.38	2.32	2.07	
" Calif. ....	" "	2.72	2.67	2.70	2.57	2.46	2.22	2.22	
" Tex. ....	" "	2.78	2.63	2.74	2.34	2.64	2.52	2.07	
" Ill. ....	Bushel	.56	.42	.42	.50	.50	.49	.50	
Cauliflower, Calif. ....	Pony crate	1.86	1.80	1.93	1.89	1.97	1.82	1.73	
" Oreg. ....	" "	---	---	---	---	2.40	2.28	---	
Celery, Golden Heart, Fla. :	16-inch crate	2.22	3.64	3.70	3.28	3.05	2.58	2.09	
" Pascal, Fla. ....	" "	---	2.78	2.80	2.85	2.70	---	3.10	
Collards, Ga. ....	1/2 L. A. crate	---	.96	.81	---	1.22	1.20	1.38	
" La. ....	Bushel	---	.91	.86	.84	1.01	1.00	.90	
" Tex. ....	"	---	.92	.95	.91	1.18	1.22	---	

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Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U.S. No. 1 when quoted) for week ended April 26, 1941 with comparisons -Contd.

Commodity	Unit	Week ended							
		1940	1941						
		Apr.	Mar.	Apr.					
		27	22	29	5	12	19	26	1/
		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	
<b>Chicago</b>									
Cucumbers, Fla. ....	Bushel	3.58	---	---	---	7.19	5.62	4.98	
" hothouse, midwestern:	Dozen	.88	1.22	1.24	1.27	1.41	1.38	1.30	
Dandelions, Tex. ....	1/2 L. A. crate	1.13	1.18	1.20	1.20	1.00	.94	.72	
Eggplant, Fla. ....	1-1/2 bu. crate	3.67	---	5.25	4.62	4.50	4.00	4.00	
Endive (chicory), Calif.:	L. A. crate	---	2.73	2.88	2.75	---	2.61	2.86	
Escarole, Fla. ....	1-1/2 bu. hamper	2.24	---	2.83	2.05	1.03	1.56	---	
" Tex. ....	L. A. crate	---	2.42	2.59	2.61	1.44	1.12	---	
Garlic, Calif. ....	50-lb. sack	5.00	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75	9.25	
Horseradish, Ill. ....	Bunch	.54	.45	.45	.45	.56	.55	.54	
Kohlrabi, La. ....	Bushel	1.80	1.56	1.50	1.42	1.22	1.29	1.46	
Leeks, Mich. ....	Crate	---	1.00	1.22	1.12	1.25	1.45	---	
Lettuce, Ariz. ....	L. A. crate	---	3.33	3.16	3.23	3.76	3.96	4.86	
" Calif. ....	"	4.28	3.50	---	---	---	4.09	4.92	
Mushrooms, midwestern ..	Pound	.25	.29	.27	.26	.25	.26	.29	
Mustard Greens, Ga. ....	Bushel	---	.86	.69	.72	---	---	---	
" " La. ....	"	---	.82	.88	.72	1.08	---	---	
" " Miss. ....	"	.99	---	---	.92	.86	.86	.92	
Okra, Cuba ....	Crate	4.50	5.38	5.33	4.25	4.17	4.12	4.69	
Onions, sweet Spanish ..	50-lb. sack	2.18	1.56	1.88	1.89	1.96	---	2.61	
" yellow, midwestern:	"	1.76	.65	1.20	1.30	1.22	1.24	1.08	
Parsley, La. ....	Bushel	.92	.94	.98	.88	.84	.70	1.01	
" Tex. ....	1/2 L. A. crate	.94	1.09	1.26	1.16	1.09	.95	1.01	
Parsley root, Tex. ....	Pony crate	---	1.68	1.76	1.71	1.72	1.59	1.56	
Parsnips, Ill. ....	Bushel	1.44	.38	.51	.47	.49	.48	.48	
Peas, Calif. ....	"	2.44	2.50	2.48	2.29	3.31	3.72	3.22	
Peppers, Fla. ....	1-1/2 bu. crate	6.25	4.04	4.15	4.70	5.31	5.12	7.25	
" Mex. ....	" " "	8.35	4.71	5.08	6.00	6.68	6.62	7.75	
Radishes, Tex. ....	Crate	---	1.81	2.12	1.62	1.51	1.75	1.90	
" Ala. ....	"	1.75	1.88	1.81	1.64	1.51	2.18	1.73	
" Ark. ....	Bushel	2.00	---	---	---	1.41	1.51	1.96	
Rhubarb, Calif. ....	20-lb. box	1.08	1.00	1.11	1.10	1.21	1.04	.80	
" Wash. ....	15 " "	1.09	1.18	1.31	1.40	1.50	---	---	
" hothouse, Mich. ..	5 " "	.36	.32	.38	.42	.39	.31	.33	
Rutabagas, Canada ....	50-lb. sack	.72	.83	.85	.88	.89	.88	.88	
Shallots, La. ....	8 doz. crate	3.70	3.52	3.80	2.56	2.68	2.94	2.73	
Spinach, Tex. ....	Bushel	---	.98	1.07	.86	.72	.64	---	
Squash, Italian, Calif. :	20-lb. box	---	2.98	2.70	2.69	2.78	---	---	
Tomatoes, Mex. ....	Lug	4.98	3.04	3.06	3.41	3.34	3.62	4.45	
Turnips, Ga. ....	1/2 crate	1.28	1.20	1.21	1.13	1.16	1.16	1.17	
Turnip tops, Ga. ....	Bushel	---	.88	1.11	.72	.75	1.08	1.07	

Compiled from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Weighted average auction price.



Seasonal canned vegetables: Supplies, shipments during the season to April 1 and April 1 stocks

Item	Marketing season	Season supply		Shipments to April 1		Stocks April 1	
		1939	1940	1939	1940	1940	1941
		actual cases	actual cases	actual cases	actual cases	actual cases	actual cases
Beans, lima .....	July 1-June 30	2,350	2,365	1,506	1,800	844	565
Beans, snap, green ..	" "	8,478	8,501	6,660	7,616	1,818	885
Beans, snap, wax ....	" "	1,593	1,458	1,058	1,257	535	201
Beets, .....	" "	2,967	3,482	2,226	2,718	741	764
Corn, sweet .....	Aug. 1-July 31	22,645	19,158	14,613	15,368	8,032	3,790
Peas, green, Alaska ..	June 1-May 31	8,019	11,182	6,896	9,694	1,123	1,488
Peas, green, sweets ..	" "	15,734	16,907	11,595	13,973	4,139	2,934
Tomatoes, .....	July 1-June 30	24,580	28,215	17,810	20,175	6,770	8,040
Tomato juice .....	Aug. 1-July 31	13,475	13,602	9,168	9,798	4,307	3,804

Compiled from reports of National Cannery Association.

Commercial truck crops for processing: Acreage planted 1938-40, intended 1941 and percent 1941 is of 1940

Commodity	1938	1939	1940	Intended 1941	Intended 1941 is percent of 1940
	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres
Beans, snap .....	76,010	54,860	65,930	74,530	113.0
Beets .....	12,380	9,060	13,350	16,950	127.0
Cabbage 1/ .....	9,875	9,145	9,540	10,760	112.8
Corn, green .....	361,170	254,460	327,170	400,600	122.4
Cucumbers for pickles ..	88,700	64,940	106,020	124,770	117.7
Peas, green .....	334,920	259,710	338,900	365,690	107.9
Spinach 2/ .....	17,470	13,860	13,040	14,550	111.6
Tomatoes .....	410,160	371,730	416,240	427,090	102.6
Total .....	1,310,685	1,037,765	1,290,190	1,434,940	111.2
Cabbage 3/ .....	7,865	10,565	10,780	---	---

Compiled from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

- 1/ Contract harvested acreage, including packers own plantings.  
 2/ Harvested acreage 1938, 1939 and 1940; planted acreage in 1941.  
 3/ Open market harvested acreage.

Truck crops and potatoes: Carlot (rail and boat) shipments from  
originating points in the United States for the week ended  
April 26, 1941 with comparisons

Commodity	Week ended						
	1940	1941					
	Apr.	Mar.			Apr.		
	27	22	29	5	12	19	26
	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars
Asparagus .....	245	269	357	303	513	425	122
Beans, snap and lima .....	177	10	40	41	32	45	155
Beets .....	38	15	27	91	50	56	78
Broccoli .....	13	49	25	17	21	21	16
Cabbage, old crop .....	---	6	3	1	---	---	---
"    new    "    .....	696	494	600	589	576	488	604
Cantaloups .....	75	---	---	---	---	---	4
Carrots, old crop .....	22	14	17	32	25	26	19
"    new    "    .....	454	351	449	424	402	328	393
Cauliflower .....	102	136	103	89	87	104	99
Celery .....	526	423	555	522	609	633	534
Cucumbers .....	81	---	---	1	12	26	61
Eggplant .....	---	---	---	---	---	---	2
Escarole .....	35	15	48	26	39	25	34
Greens, except spinach .....	14	52	39	34	19	8	4
Lettuce and romaine .....	1,383	1,509	1,486	1,463	1,240	1,180	1,353
Mixed vegetables .....	649	565	761	847	600	436	472
Onions, old crop .....	118	391	434	250	169	168	139
"    new    "    .....	392	---	---	---	---	7	147
Peas, green .....	174	43	28	9	62	152	132
Peppers .....	7	7	15	10	6	6	11
Spinach .....	242	137	328	289	101	176	104
Sweetpotatoes .....	91	113	103	104	83	77	62
Tomatoes .....	187	24	22	7	3	7	124
Turnips and rutabagas, old crop:	---	6	6	3	1	1	---
"    "    "    new    "    :	2	3	5	2	---	2	1
Total .....	5,723	4,632	5,451	5,154	4,650	4,397	4,670
Potatoes, total .....	3,922	5,314	6,041	5,482	4,416	3,950	3,508
Early States (1941 crop) .....	1,354	173	167	323	631	935	1,169
Late States .....	2,568	5,141	5,874	5,159	3,785	3,015	2,339
Total above .....	9,645	9,946	11,492	10,636	9,066	8,347	8,176
Relief - Potatoes .....	---	287	334	278	152	148	123
Imports:							
Beans, snap and lima .....	---	11	9	6	3	---	---
Corn .....	1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Cucumbers .....	---	10	6	4	1	---	---
Eggplant .....	11	21	20	19	21	10	6
Mixed vegetables .....	3	4	3	3	3	3	2
Peas .....	---	2	---	---	---	---	---
Peppers .....	12	51	51	38	48	52	39
Potatoes .....	19	82	66	42	46	28	18
Tomatoes .....	80	506	601	563	524	255	389
Turnips and rutabagas .....	27	75	82	54	35	27	14

Vegetables, frozen: Cold storage holdings, April 1, 1941,  
with comparisons

Commodity	1940		1941	
	March	April	March	April
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
Asparagus .....	7,138	7,086	5,175	4,916
Beans, lima .....	12,509	11,666	10,736	9,373
Beans, snap .....	5,234	4,501	5,194	4,166
Broccoli, green .....	1,678	1,624	1,700	1,471
Corn, sweet .....	6,155	5,775	4,602	4,082
Peas, green .....	17,738	14,869	23,417	20,183
Spinach .....	4,713	4,627	3,877	3,744
Other vegetables .....	2,867	2,860	5,964	4,887
Classification not reported.	3,365	2,889	2,436	2,643
Total .....	61,397	55,897	63,101	55,465

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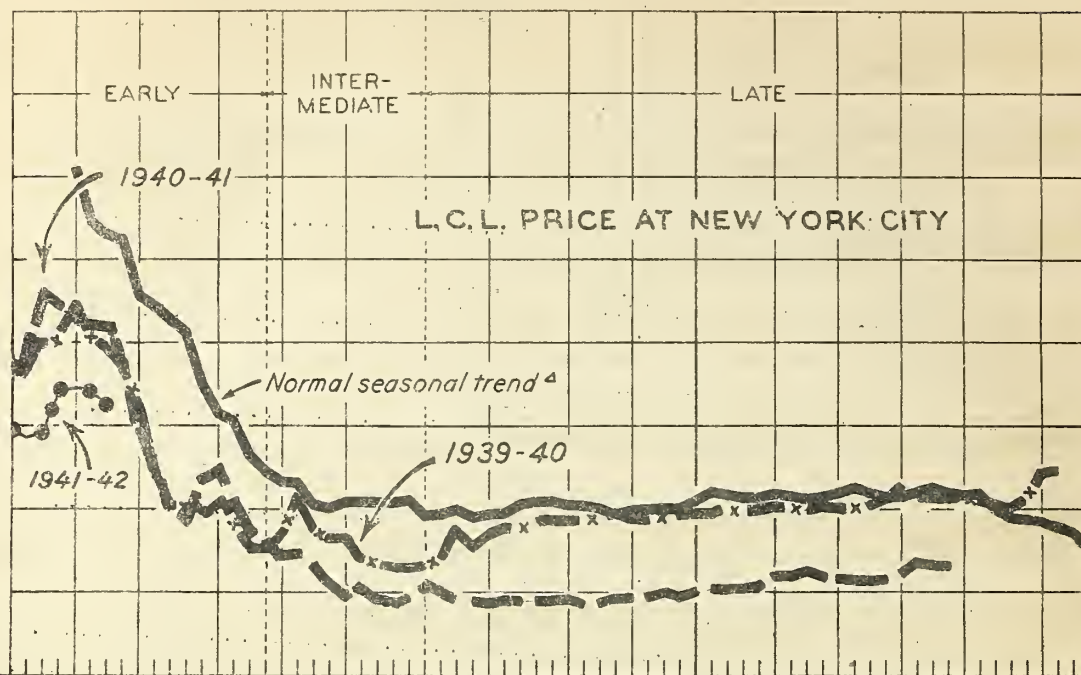
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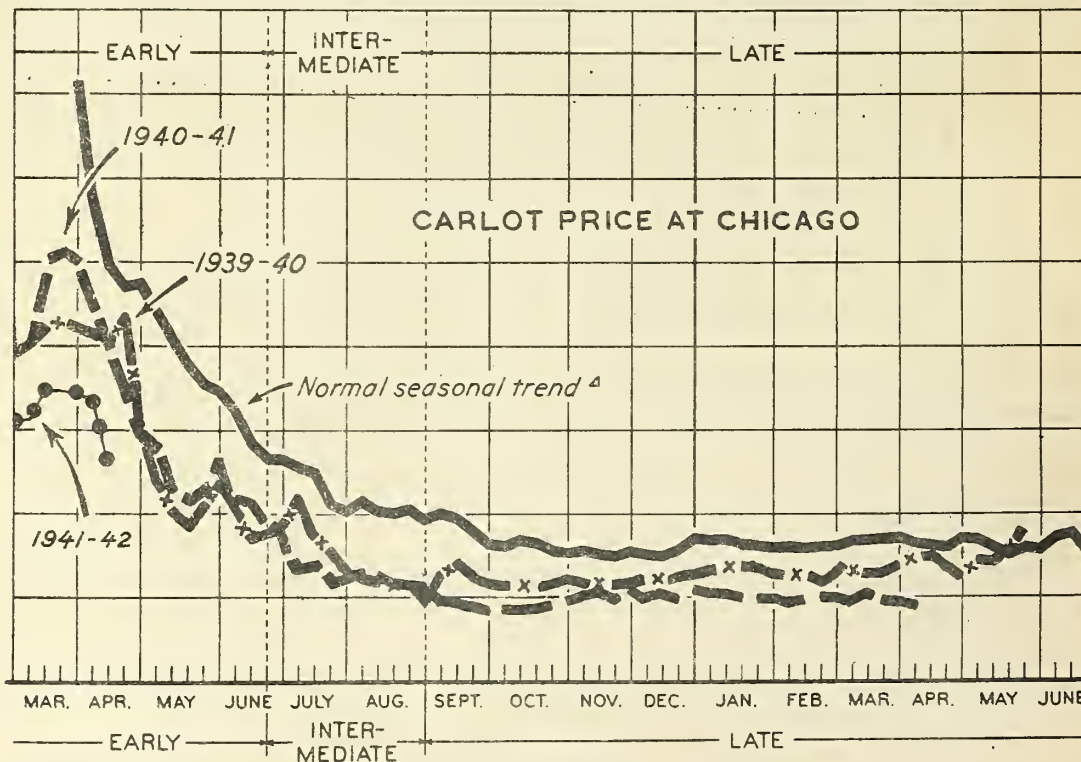
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\* EXCLUDING IMPORTANT WESTERN VARIETIES

<sup>Δ</sup> ARITHMETIC AVERAGE OF THE SIX MIDDLE PRICES FOR EACH WEEK OF THE 10-YEAR PERIOD, 1921-30

FIGURE 2